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In re Application of:

Steven L. EDWARDS

Application No.: 09/987,248

Filed: November 14, 2001

For: METHOD FOR MAXIMIZING  
WATER REMOVAL IN A PRESS  
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) Group Art Unit: 1731

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Enclosed is a reply to the Examiner's Communication of April 25, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	68	-	68	0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
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Subtotal						\$ 0.00
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TOTAL						\$ 0.00

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